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Mr. Michael Powell, Chairman

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Communication Center

Dear Sir:

I have read in various newspaper articles about the issue before the FCC that would seek to change a ruling and allow cross-ownership of newspapers and broadcasting stations. Most people get most of their news and information from newspapers, magazines, radio, and television. To allow these arenas of mass communication to be controlled by fewer and fewer hands will not allow for greater diversity of experience and information, but less. I believe that the rule on cross-ownership should not be changed. To allow the mighty, by virtue of the fact that they dole out information to the masses, to become even more mighty cannot lead to a better informed public or democracy.

Sincerely,

Linda Smith

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